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Sent: 01 March 2012 14:35
To: Marsh J (Janet)
Subject: RE: Penrose Inquiry query

Dear Janet

Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding to you.

Firstly, it is worth noting that the three month registration window only applies to England, we are still able to accept registrations on behalf of the estates of people who died before 2003 in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland without any issues (I say without any issues because we have had loose assurances from Government that provided people in England had a good reason for not registering in time then we can still process their claim).

In total we have now paid 670 stage one payments in Scotland. 162 of these people/estates have also received the stage two payment.

Of the above totals, 10 estates of people who died before 2003 have received the stage one payment only and a further 6 estates have received both payments. The rest of the difference (between 654 and 636) will be made up of new living applicants or the estates of people who died more recently than 2003.

Unfortunately we do not have the data to answer your second question but I can say that of the 162 who have received the stage two payment, we know that at least 37 have died. Because these people had received the stage two payment, it would be reasonable to assume that advanced liver disease had been a contributor towards their death. We are currently making regular payments to 71 recipients of the stage two payment in Scotland, so know that they are alive. Of the other 54 we have no way of knowing exactly how many are alive and how many have died. I assume many will have died without us being informed and that is the reason they have not come forward to claim their regular payments.

I hope this helps and if you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

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From: Marsh J (Janet) [mailto: [REDACTED]]
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Dear Mr Fish

I write with reference to my email of 7 February. Thank you for responding so promptly, and agreeing to assist the Inquiry with any further requests for information.

You advised the Inquiry in February 2011 that The Skipton Fund has made 636 payments to applicants based in Scotland. We are aware the Skipton Fund criteria did not allow payments in respect of those who died before 29 August 2003. In January 2011 there was a relaxation of this, and such claims could be made up until 31 March 2011.

- It would be helpful to our enquiries if you could let us know how many claims from Scotland were made, and paid, in that three month window period.
- In addition, do you have any record of how many of the total number for Scotland died of liver disease, and how many died of other causes?

Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Kind regards

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